

Hathiraj: the mighty one

Ms. Codex 1741

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Summary Information

Repository	University of Pennsylvania: Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Franklin, Peter, 1900-1969?
Title	Hathiraj: the mighty one
Call number	Ms. Codex 1741
Date	circa 1930-1939
Extent	1 volume (+ 1 pamphlet)
Language	English
Abstract	Typescript of a novel written between 1930 to 1939 by producer and film director, Peter Franklin (1900-1969?). Set in India, the novel relays the story of Prince Bahadur of Kahanistan and Hathiraj, a bull elephant.

Cite as:

Hathiraj, the mighty one by Peter Franklin, circa 1930-1939, Ms. Codex 1741, Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts, University of Pennsylvania

Biography/History

Franklin was a film producer and director who lived in England. He served in the Indian Army and began a career in the motion picture industry in 1928. Franklin Eastern Enterprises Limited was the name of his company in London. Franklin was a fellow of the British Royal Geographical Society and a fellow of the Zoological Society.

Scope and Contents

A typescript of a novel bound in black with stamped gold lettering on the cover containing a novel written by Peter Franklin. The novel is set in India relaying the story of Prince Bahadur of Kahanistan and Hathiraj, a bull elephant. Preceding the novel is a list of the characters and a list entitled "Chapter readings" consisting of a prelude, ten chapters, and a closing scene. Laid in the volume is a small pamphlet announcing a series of six documentary films on India entitled "India Old and New." The pamphlet provides a brief explanation of the film series, some information about Franklin, and a synopsis for each of the six films. W. Straker Printers and Stationers, London printed the pamphlet and bound the typescript.

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Custodial History note

Stamp on title page: Franklin Eastern Enterprises Ltd., 112, Lexham Gardens, London. Label pasted on inside back cover: W. Straker, Ltd., London, Printers & Stationers.

Source of Acquisition

Gift of Charles A. Goldsmid, 2005.

Controlled Access Headings

FORM/GENRE(S)

- Codices (bound manuscripts)
- Manuscripts, English--20th century
- Novels
- Pamphlets
- Typescripts

GEOGRAPHIC NAME(S)

- India--20th century--Fiction

Collection Inventory

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